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1. ASTMS - A DELEGATION OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND MANAGERIAL STAFFS (ASTMS), LED BY ITS GENERAL SECRETARY, CLIVE JENKINS, IS PLANNING TO VISIT THE US FROM MAY 18 TO JUNE 1 AT THE INVITATION OF LOCAL 1199 DRUG AND HOSPITAL UNION, NEW YORK CITY. THIS DELEGATION WILL ALSO INCLUDE ASTMS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS: R. BIRD, E. BROMLEY, J. WILLIAMS AND MRS. G. KARPIN, ASSISTANT TO THE GENERAL SECRETARY. THE ASTMS GROUP WAS INVITED TO THE US BY MR. M. FONER OF LOCAL 1199 (JENKINS WILL BE MAKING A HOLIDAY TRIP TO THE US IN APRIL WITH HIS FAMILY.)

2. IN ADDITION TO VISITING HIS COUNTERPARTS OF THE ASTMS IN NEW YORK CITY, JENKINS MAY ALSO WISH TO MEET WITH AFL-CIO OFFICIALS, PARTICULARLY IN THE INTER-NATIONAL DEPARTMENT, AS WELL AS WITH DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND LABOR OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH INTERNATIONAL LABOR AFFAIRS. WE SHALL INFORM THE DEPARTMENT OF THIS
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WILL BE REQUIRED FOR SOME MEMBERS OF THE ASTMS GROUP AND WILL BE PROCESSED THROUGH OUR NORMAL CHANNELS.)

3. AUEW - GEORGE DOUGHTY, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE AMALGAMATED UNION OF ENGINEERING WORKERS (TECHNICAL AND SUPERVISORY SECTION), WILL BE VISITING THE US BRIEFLY IN CONJUNCTION WITH HIS ATTENDANCE AT THE CANADIAN LABOR CONGRESS CONVENTION IN CANADA IN MAY. MR. DOUGHTY, WHO WILL BE TRAVELLING WITH HIS WIFE, WILL BE MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTER-NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS (IAM) IN SEATTLE DURING HIS NORTH AMERICAN VISIT, ALTHOUGH HE HAS NOT YET DECIDED THE PRECISE DATE. HE ALSO PLANS TO TRAVEL TO CALIFORNIA WHERE HIS WIFE HAS RELATIVES, AND TO NEW YORK FOR VACATION PURPOSES. HOWEVER, WHILE HE IS IN NEW YORK HE PLANS TO CONTACT MR. LEW JOHNSON, AFLCIO REPRESENTATIVE, WHOM HE MET ON A PREVIOUS VISIT.

4. MR. AKE SELANDER, A MEMBER OF THE STAFF OF THE INTER-NATIONAL TRANSPORT WORKERS' FEDERATION, WILL BE VISITING THE US FROM APPROXIMATELY MARCH 29 TO APRIL 8. HE WILL BE ATTENDING THE MEETING OF THE ITF AFFILIATES IN MIAMI MARCH 29-APRIL 1, TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS RELATING TO CARIBBEAN CRUISES. HE ALSO PLANS TO VISIT NEW YORK APRIL 3-4, AND CAN BE REACHED THERE THROUGH CAPTAIN BILL RICH OF THE MASTER MATES AND PILOTS OF THE AFL-CIO.

5. NUM - JOE GORMLEY'S OFFICE HAS INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT HE NOW EXPECTS TO VISIT THE US - SUBJECT TO CONFIR-MATION FROM PRESIDENT MILLER OF THE UNITED MINEWORKERS OF AMERICA - SOMETIME IN APRIL. MR. GORMLEY WILL BE TRAVELLING WITH HIS WIFE.

6. GORMLEY WILL THEREFORE NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE NUM DELEGATION TO THE FAR EAST, WHICH IS TENTATIVELY PLAN-NING TO VISIT NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM, JAPAN AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA FROM MAY 10 TO JUNE 7. THE NUM DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE THREE MEMBERS OF THE NUM EXECUTIVE, PETER HEATHFIELD, FROM DERBYSHIRE, ARTHUR SCARGILL, YORKSHIRE, AND ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL WHO WILL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BE NAMED LATER. (BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF THESE MEN WILL BE SENT EMBASSY SAIGON SEPARATELY.)

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